

REMARKS

Consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

This Preliminary Amendment withdraws claims 1-20, 35-41, 45-59 and 66-79, without prejudice to their consideration in a continuing application. These claims are cancelled without any effect of their pendency and issuance from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/023,243, filed December 18, 2001.

This Preliminary Amendment adds dependent claims 80-92.

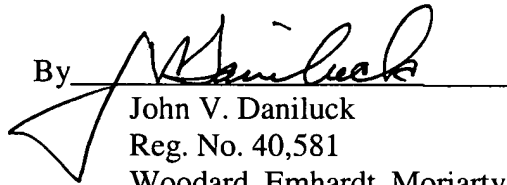
Applicants have restricted the inventions being examined to Group IV (referring to Paper No. 10 from U.S. Serial No. 10/023,243). Applicants make this election without traverse.

CLOSING

Applicants have withdrawn claims 1-20, 35-41, 45-59 and 66-79; amended claims 60, 64 and 65; and added new claims 80-92. Applicant respectfully requests examination of pending claims 21-34, 42-44, 60-65, and 80-92. The undersigned welcomes a telephonic interview with the Examiner, if the Examiner believes such an interview would facilitate review of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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